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In re application of Charles L. Turnboug

For:

January 14, 1998

PEPTIDE LIGANDS THAT BIND TO SURFACES OF BACTERIAL SPORES

DECLARATION CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS (37 CFR 1.9 (f) & 1.27(d)) -- NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

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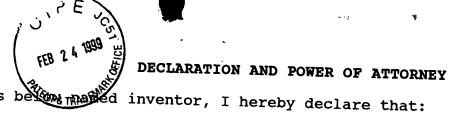
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I believe I am the original, sole and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled : "PEPTIDE LIGANDS THAT BIND TO SURFACES OF BACTERIAL SPORES", the specification of which was filed on January 14, 1999 and has been assigned as U.S. Application Serial No:

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title $37\ CFR\ 1.56(a)$.

This application takes priority from Provisional Patent Application 60/071,411.

I hereby appoint the following attorneys and agents, with full power of substitution, association, and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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